



# 21 DAYS of PRAYER FOR

## Parkville PROMISE



# 21 Days of Prayer Guide

*Built Together: 21 Days of Prayer for God's Promises & the Parkville Campus*

## HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This guide is designed to help you engage with God individually and corporately as we pray for His promises and the launch of our Parkville campus. Each day includes:

- **Scripture** – God's Word anchors our prayers.
- **Promise** – A truth to claim as you pray.
- **Reflection** – Brief reflection to stir your heart toward God.
- **Prayer in Action** – One unified prayer that includes our personal prayer, a next step, and a focused prayer for Parkville.

Set aside a consistent time each day to pray through this guide. Read, reflect, pray, and act. Consider journaling insights or sharing with a friend or group. Some days are personal, others align with corporate gatherings. Let's journey together.

## INTRODUCTION: A PEOPLE OF PRAYER

### Why Prayer Matters for Every Follower of Jesus

Prayer is one of the greatest gifts God gives His people. It is how we enter His presence, align our hearts with His will, and participate in His work. Scripture repeatedly invites us to ask, seek, knock, and trust (Matthew 7:7–11). Prayer is not a religious accessory; it is the lifeblood of discipleship and the engine of the church's mission. Throughout Scripture, we see God's people praying:

- Abraham interceding for a city (Genesis 18).
- Moses crying out for God's presence (Exodus 33).
- Hannah pouring out her heart in grief and hope (1 Samuel 1).
- David praying his fears, joys, and repentance (Psalms).
- Jesus withdrew to lonely places to pray (Luke 5:16).
- The church prays in unity and boldness (Acts 1–4).

**To pray is to commune with the living God**, and Scripture repeatedly shows that God moves powerfully through praying people.

## What Is Biblical Prayer?

Prayer is more than reciting words; it is a relationship, a conversation rooted in trust, shaped by the Spirit, and anchored in God's promises. Tozer said, "*Prayer is not a work we do for God, but a work God does in us.*" It softens hearts, strengthens faith, and draws us deeper into Him.

Prayer reorients us around God's goodness (Book of Common Prayer) and flows from dependence upon Him (John 15:5). True prayer aligns our desires, fears, burdens, and hopes with His heart.

## Why Prayer Matters for the Church

Prayer is the birthplace of God's movement:

- Before the church started, the disciples prayed.
- Before sending missionaries, the church prayed.
- Before the Holy Spirit came, believers gathered to pray.
- Before choosing the Disciples, Jesus prayed all night.

We don't just ask God to act; we surrender to His wisdom, timing, and leadership.

**Personal Prayer:** Ephesians 2:19–22 reminds us that we are being built into God's dwelling place. Prayer cultivates a heart where God loves to dwell so that He can strengthen, heal, convict, and transform us.

**Corporate Prayer:** The early church "*devoted themselves... to prayer*" (Acts 2:42). Praying together builds unity, breaks down walls, and aligns the church with God's mission. Together, we depend on God, seek His presence, and trust His promises as we step into Parkville.

## Entering the 21 Days

Over the next 21 days, we will:

- Seek God personally and corporately.
- Pray for the Parkville campus, our city, families, students, and leaders.
- Take small steps of obedience alongside our prayers.

Our prayer is simple:

*"Lord, build us together into a dwelling place for Your Spirit. In Parkville as it is in Heaven."*

Let's seek Him together, expect Him to move, and watch His promises unfold in us, in our church, and in Parkville.

# WEEK 1 — GOD BUILDS US *Identity — Unity — Belonging*

## DAY 1 — God Wants to Meet With You

### Scripture: Psalm 63:1(NIV)

“You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water.”

**Promise:** God draws near to those who seek Him.

**Reflection:** Today begins a journey of seeking God together as a church. Before we ask God to move in our neighborhoods or build something in Parkville, He wants to build something in us. Psalm 63 is a cry of deep hunger: “Earnestly I seek You.” God responds to hunger. He meets us in quiet places of honesty and longing. As you begin these 21 days, invite Him to stir a fresh desire for His presence. You don’t have to manufacture spiritual intensity—just show up. God loves to meet His children who come with open hands.

**Prayer in Action:** God, awaken our hearts. Stir a hunger in us for more of You. As we begin these 21 days, help us make space to meet with You daily. Prepare our church to carry Your presence into Parkville. Today, set aside a consistent time you will return to prayer.

## DAY 2 — Search Me, O God

**Scripture: Psalm 139:23–24 (NIV)**

“Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.”

**Promise:** God leads us in the way of life.

**Reflection:** Ephesians 2 tells us that God is building us into a dwelling place for His Spirit. God builds with surrendered hearts. Today invites us to open the places we often keep hidden. David prays bold words: “Search me... know my anxious thoughts.” God does not reveal things to shame us, but to heal us. When sin and fear are brought into the light, they lose their power. Ask God to show you anything that may be hindering intimacy or obedience.

**Prayer in Action:** God, search our hearts. Reveal anything that does not honor You, and lead us in Your way. Cleanse us as a church so we can be a blessing to Parkville. Confess one fear, sin, or burden to God—and if needed, share it with a trusted friend.

## DAY 3 — Unity Is Revival's Highway

### Scripture: John 17:20–23

“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.”

**Promise:** God commands His blessing where His people are one.

**Reflection:** Before Jesus went to the cross, He prayed for unity. Unity is the soil where God's presence grows. A divided church cannot reach a divided world. As we pray for Parkville, let us ask God to unite us—across generations, backgrounds, and preferences. Unity is not agreement on everything; it's surrender to something bigger than us: the mission of Jesus.

**Prayer in Action:** Lord, make us one. Heal any divisions and give us a spirit of unity. Help us encourage one another. Unite our hearts as we join in the mission for Parkville.

## DAY 4 — Built Up in Strength

## Scripture: Ephesians 3:16–20

“I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.” Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.

**Promise:** God gives strength through His Spirit in our inner being.

**Reflection:** We all feel weak sometimes. Paul reminds us: you are strengthened from the inside out by the Spirit of God. As we pray into a bold vision for Parkville, God wants to increase our capacity to believe, serve, give, and pray. Our weakness is not a barrier; it's the place where His power rests. Today, ask God to strengthen you with supernatural confidence and courage.

**Prayer in Action:** Holy Spirit, strengthen us from within. Expand our faith for what You can do. Empower leaders and volunteers who will launch Parkville. Take a 10-minute walk and pray over your own spiritual hunger.

## DAY 5 — Pray for Your Leaders

### Scripture: 1 Timothy 2:1–2

“I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.”

**Promise:** God works through spiritual authority to bless His people.

**Reflection:** Healthy churches are built by healthy leaders. Pastors, staff, small group leaders, and worship leaders carry real spiritual weight. Pray that they walk in humility, courage, and wisdom. Pray for protection over their families. Pray for endurance in the mission. Your prayers matter more than you realize.

**Prayer in Action:** Lord, bless, protect, and guide our leaders. Give them wisdom and joy. Encourage a leader today. Raise strong, Spirit-filled leaders for Parkville.

## DAY 6 — Bless the Community

### **Scripture: Jeremiah 29:7**

“Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.”

**Promise:** As we seek the good of our city, God brings blessing.

**Reflection:** God cares deeply about cities, neighborhoods, and streets. The Parkville campus is more than just a building; it's a blessing to an entire community. Pray specifically for neighbors, families, schools, workers, and first responders. Pray God's peace, hope, and joy over every home.

**Prayer in Action:** Lord, bless Parkville. Fill every street with Your peace. Google-map the area and pray over the neighborhoods. Prepare hearts to receive Your love.

# DAY 7 — Corporate Prayer Sunday

**Theme:** “God, build us into Your dwelling place.”

Pray together in worship: unity, holiness, hunger for God’s presence.

## Scripture Reading

### Ephesians 2:19–22 (read aloud)

19 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of his household, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. 21 In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. 22 And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

## Unison Prayer

Almighty God,

You are building us together into a dwelling place for your presence.

By your Holy Spirit, unite our hearts,

Cleanse us from all that divides us,

And form us into a holy people.

Make us living stones,

rooted in Christ,

hungry for your presence,

And faithful to your purposes.

Dwell among us, O Lord,

And send us out to carry your presence into the world;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## WEEK 2 — GOD BUILDS HIS CHURCH

## *Faithfulness — Dependence — Mission*

## DAY 8 — Pray for Families

### Scripture: Psalm 128:1–4

“Blessed are all who fear the LORD, who walk in obedience to him. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. Yes, this will be the blessing for the man who fears the LORD.”

**Promise:** God blesses families who walk with Him.

**Reflection:** Families shape the spiritual climate of a community. Strong homes create strong churches. Pray for marriages, parents, children, single parents, and blended families. God sees every home. Parkville can be a place where families find hope and healing.

**Prayer in Action:** God, bless every family connected to our church and future campus. Pray by name for 2–3 families. Build strong, Christ-centered families in Parkville.

## DAY 9 — Pray for Students & Schools

### Scripture: Matthew 19:14

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

**Promise:** God welcomes and blesses children and students.

**Reflection:** Students are the church of today. Schools are spiritual mission fields. Pray for students to know Jesus, for teachers to have encouragement and strength, and administrators to lead wisely. Ask God to open doors for Parkville to support schools, mentors, and volunteers.

**Prayer in Action:** Jesus, bless students and schools of Parkville. Draw them to You. Write the name of a local school and pray over it. Open doors for Parkville to impact these schools.

## **DAY 10 — Pray for Local Organizations (Lent Emphasis)**

### **Scripture: Proverbs 11:10–11**

When the righteous prosper, the city rejoices... Through the blessing of the upright a city is lifted up.

**Promise:** God lifts a city through humble, faithful people.

## Reflection:

Lent invites us to slow down, take an honest look at ourselves, and remember that we are not the saviors—God is. Many local organizations carry heavy, unseen burdens every day: counselors sitting with grief, shelters offering safety, food banks meeting quiet needs, first responders running toward danger, medical workers and educators serving under pressure, and small businesses persevering through uncertainty.

During this season, we resist the urge to rush in with answers or recognition. Instead, we pray with humility and compassion, asking God to strengthen those who serve and to shape our hearts to serve alongside them in faithful, unseen ways. Kingdom work often looks small and hidden—but God uses it to lift a city.

## Prayer in Action:

Lord, we confess that we cannot fix everything—but You can redeem all things. Strengthen every organization serving our city. Sustain those who are weary and protect those who serve in quiet faithfulness. Show us how the Parkville campus can walk humbly with our neighbors and build partnerships that reflect Your love. Today, choose one local organization near Parkville and pray specifically for their people, their resources, and their mission.

## DAY 11 — Pray for New Groups in Parkville

## Scripture: Acts 2:42

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

**Promise:** God grows His people through community.

**Reflection:** Groups are where people grow, heal, and belong. Imagine new groups forming in Parkville—homes, coffee shops, schools, and living rooms. Pray for new leaders, open homes, and people far from God finding community that leads to Christ.

**Prayer in Action:** Lord, raise leaders and open homes for new groups. Pray about hosting or leading a future group. Make Parkville a place full of life-giving community.

## DAY 12 — Pray for Ministry Teams

### Scripture: Romans 12:4–6

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, 5 so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. 6 We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith;

**Promise:** God gives gifts to build His church.

**Reflection:** Every part of the body matters. As Parkville grows, new opportunities arise: kids ministry, worship, tech, groups, outreach, and security. Pray for people to discover their gifts, step into serving, and experience joy and unity.

**Prayer in Action:** God, call and equip volunteers who will serve with joy. Thank a volunteer today. Fill every needed role at Parkville.

## DAY 13 — Pray for the Building Process

### Scripture: Psalm 127:1

Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labor in vain.  
Unless the LORD watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain.

**Promise:** Unless the Lord builds the house, we labor in vain.

**Reflection:** A physical building is a tool for spiritual impact. Pray over construction crews, timelines, budgets, and safety. Pray against delays. Ask God to bless every inch of the space—from the lobby to the kids wing to the auditorium—to become a place where many encounter Jesus. This building is for His glory.

**Prayer in Action:** Lord, guide every detail of the building process. Pray over the site or a photo. Prepare the building to be a place of salvation in Parkville.

# DAY 14 — Corporate Prayer Sunday

**Theme:** “God, build Your church in Parkville.”

## Scripture Reading

### Matthew 16:18 (read aloud)

*18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.*

## Unison Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,  
You alone build your Church,  
And nothing can stand against your work.

Build your Church in Parkville—  
Establish your kingdom,  
Strengthen your people,  
And draw many to yourself.

Use us faithfully in what you are building.  
Give us humility, courage, and love,  
That we may reflect your grace to our neighbors.

We trust your promise,  
And we submit ourselves to your work;  
For you reign now and forever.  
Amen.

# WEEK 3 — GOD BUILDS THROUGH US

## *Mission — Witness — Calling*

## DAY 15 — Pray for the Lost

### Scripture: Luke 19:10

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

**Promise:** Jesus came to seek and save the lost.

**Reflection:** Jesus has a heart for people far from God. He still seeks, still saves, still restores. Think of the thousands of people in Parkville who do not yet know the hope of Jesus. Pray for the Holy Spirit to soften hearts. Pray that our church becomes a place where the lost feel welcome and heard. Pray that salvation stories multiply.

**Prayer in Action:** God, draw lost people in Parkville to Yourself. Open their hearts. Write down three names to pray for over the next 21 days. Let Parkville be a place of salvation.

## DAY 16 — Pray for Neighborhood Revival

### Scripture: Isaiah 60:1

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.

**Promise:** God's light rises on His people.

**Reflection:** Revival often starts in ordinary places: homes, coffee shops, workplaces, front yards. Pray for God's light to break through in Parkville neighborhoods. Pray for healing in marriages, peace in homes, and courage for Christians to live their faith boldly. Pray for revival—not hype, but a genuine move of the Spirit.

**Prayer in Action:** Jesus, shine Your light on every neighborhood. Take a prayer walk. Send revival into the streets and homes of Parkville.

## DAY 17 — Pray for Bold Invitations

### Scripture: Romans 10:14–15

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? **15** And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

**Promise:** God uses ordinary people to bring the good news.

**Reflection:** Inviting someone to church could change their eternity. Many people are simply waiting for an invitation. Pray for boldness to invite co-workers, friends, neighbors, and family. Pray for open hearts and divine timing. Ask God to make us a church that's fearless with the gospel.

**Prayer in Action:** Lord, give us boldness to invite friends, neighbors, and co-workers. Invite one person today. Pave the way for invitations across Parkville.

## DAY 18 — Pray for Generosity

## Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:6–8

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. **7** Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **8** And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

**Promise:** God supplies seed to the sower.

**Reflection:** The vision for Parkville requires sacrificial generosity. When God invites us to give, He's inviting us into His story. Pray for open-handed hearts across our church. Pray that God will supply all the resources needed, and more. Generosity is a spiritual act of worship that moves the mission forward.

**Prayer in Action:** God, make us generous. Provide abundantly. Ask how God may be calling us to give. Meet every financial need for Parkville.

## DAY 19 — Pray for New Leaders & Disciples

**Scripture:** Matthew 28:19–20

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

**Promise:** Jesus is with us as we make disciples.

**Reflection:** A growing church needs growing leaders—people who lead teams, groups, kids, students, prayer, and missions. Pray for God to raise new leaders full of humility and the Holy Spirit. Pray for disciples who make disciples. Pray for multiplication. Parkville's long-term health rests on spiritual leadership, not just programs.

**Prayer in Action:** Lord, raise leaders and disciple-makers. Pray for 1–2 people you see potential in. Build a strong core of leaders at Parkville.

## DAY 20 — Pray for Open Doors

## Scripture: Revelation 3:8

I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.

**Promise:** What God opens, no one can shut.

**Reflection:** For the gospel to advance, we need supernatural doors to open—conversations, relationships, partnerships, opportunities, invitations, and favor. Pray today for doors to open in unexpected places across Parkville. Pray that God would move ahead of us, preparing divine appointments.

**Prayer in Action:** Jesus, open doors only You can open. Ask for one specific opportunity to shine your light—open doors in Parkville for Your Kingdom.

# DAY 21 — Corporate Prayer Sunday

**Theme:** “God, build Your Kingdom here.”  
Final commissioning prayer for Parkville.

## Scripture Reading

### Acts 1:8 (read aloud)

**8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

## Unison Commissioning Prayer

Almighty God,  
You have called us to be your witnesses,  
Empowered by your Holy Spirit.

Build your Kingdom here in Parkville.  
through our words, our deeds,  
And our lives fully surrendered to you.

Send us out with courage and love,  
to proclaim Jesus Christ,  
Serve our neighbors,  
And reflect your glory in all we do.

We trust your Spirit to guide us,  
and your power to accomplish your purposes;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.